## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE APPEALS BOARD Monday, October 10, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. 141 N. Front Street Columbus, OH 43215 First Floor Conference Room

The Property Maintenance Appeals Board met at 141 N. Front Street – First Floor Conference Room, at 1:01 p.m. on October 10, 2022. The following members were present:

Pamela Palmer, Chair Joyce Bruce, Vice-Chair Tiffanie Harris Katie McCann Scott Wolf

City Attorney Robert Tobias was present as counsel to the Board. Property Maintenance Inspection Specialist Cassondra Scurlock was present as Board Secretary.

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Old Busine	ss:		
None.			

**New Business:** 

## PMA-474 and PMA-475 and PMA-476

The appellant, Catherine Cunningham, submitted an email to Board Secretary Cassondra Scurlock requesting to table the appeals until November 14, 2022. Board Secretary presented the request to the Board, and also advised that Code does not object to the tabling.

A motion was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Scott Wolf to table PMA-474, PMA-475 and PMA-476 until November 14, 2022. Motion granted 5-0.

Table Appeal to November 14, 2022, 5-0

### PMA-484

The appellant, Adam Wabnitz, submitted an email to Board Secretary Cassondra Scurlock requesting to table the appeal until November 14, 2022. Board Secretary presented the request to the Board, and also advised that Code does not object to the tabling.

A motion was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Scott Wolf to table PMA-484 until November 14, 2022. Motion granted 5-0.

Table Appeal to November 14, 2022, 5-0

#### PMA-483

The appellant, Paul Achey, was present. Code Enforcement was represented by Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) Gary Harris.

CEO Harris provided testimony explaining the exhibits of the case packet along with the current condition of the violation property. The property had originally been issued notice for violation of CCC 709.03. CEO Harris advised the Board that the property was currently in compliance per his recent inspection on 10/6/22.

The appellant, Paul Achey told the Board that, at first, he hadn't understood which area of the property was in violation. Mr. Achey said that he had never maintained the grass located behind his fence. He said that the grass in that area used to be cut, but he wasn't sure who did it. However, nobody is cutting or maintaining that area now. Mr. Achey also noted that this was the first time he's received a violation notice. After he was made aware of the area in violation, he cut that area with a trimmer.

A finding of fact was made by the Board, to accept the evidence submitted regarding CCC 709.03 and to accept the testimony as true and accurate, and that the property had been in violation of 709.03 and that it is now in compliance. A motion for the finding of fact was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Joyce Bruce. Motion grated 5-0.

A motion was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Scott Wolf to sustain the appeal. Motion granted 5-0.

Sustain Appeal, 5-0

#### PMA-485

The appellant, Ariel Barker, was not present. Code Enforcement was represented by Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) Janae Crawford.

Since the appellant, Ariel Barker, was not present, the first order of business was to decide if the Ariel Barker had been served with notification of the appeal meeting. Board Secretary Scurlock advised that the appellant had been notified of the hearing via email, regular USPS, and certified USPS. However, the certified receipt had not been signed/returned. Board Secretary Scurlock advised that the appellant did verbally acknowledge receipt of the appeal hearing, to CEO Crawford. The Board then asked CEO Crawford to explain the acknowledgement of receipt, and CEO Crawford said that Ariel Barker had verbally acknowledged receipt of the appeal hearing letter. The Board agreed that the appellant had been notified, and moved forward with the hearing.

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A motion was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Joyce Bruce to sustain the appeal. Motion granted 5-0.

# Sustain Appeal, 5-0

A motion was made by Katie McCann and seconded by Scott Wolf to accept the September meeting minutes from September 12, 2022. Approved 5-0

There being no further business, Katie McCann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:29 pm, seconded by Joyce Bruce. Meeting adjourned 5-0

Pamela Palmer

Chairperson

Cassondra Scurlock

Secretary